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No. 1. Read the following letter from G. D. LEMAN, Esq., President of the Municipal Commission, Masulipatam, to the Hon. W. HUDLESTON, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Bapatla, 14th February 1873, No. 214:—

I have the honour to submit the Budget-Estimates of the Masulipatam Municipality for 1873-74.

2. RECEIPTS.—The expected balance at the beginning of the year is Rupees 2,000, to which is to be added Rupees 2,204-11-0, the "Funded Capital" of the Dispensary.

3. The receipts from all sources, as given in the Budget Statements, amount to Rupees 26,596, inclusive of an allotment of Rupees 200 from the Pound Fund. The amount estimated for collection under Tolls for the current year was Rupees 5,500, but they were leased out for Rupees 8,925; therefore the sum entered for next year is Rupees 8,000. The revenue of the Municipality including balances will amount to Rupees 30,800.

4. EXPENDITURE.—The Municipality propose to distribute expenditure for the year as follows:—Grant I., Rupees 12,110; Grant II., Rupees 2,800; Grant III., Rupees 10,300; Grant IV., Rupees 3,200; Grant V., Rupees 2,390.

5. The allotments under Grant I. are the same as in the current year. Under Grant II. there is no provision for the share to be borne by the Municipality in the cost of a Training School. If the Local-Fund Board should establish one, the Municipality will be prepared to contribute its quota from the large sum provided for "Results' Grants." The Municipal Commissioners agree to give Rupees 150 towards the cost of the Educational Inspection, but the Local-Fund Board have only asked for Rupees 100. The excess provision, I beg to suggest, should be transferred to "Lighting," as the town requires more lighting than is now provided for. Under Grant III. provision is made for the new branch dispensary asked for in my letter, No. 2971, dated 19th December 1872. The other entries call for no explanation.

6. With reference to G. O., No. 103, dated 12th December 1872, Works Department, I have the honour to state that the Commissioners along been under the impression that the funds required for making the good water to the town permanent throughout the year would come from the Government, and there are not any municipal funds available now for the purpose.

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No. 2.

ORDER THEREON, 2nd June 1873, No. 765.

The following table is an abstract of the Estimates of the Masulipatam Municipality for the year 1873-74, compared with those for 1872-73:—

REVENUE.		EXPENDITURE.	
1872-73.	1873-74.	1872-73.	1873-74.
Balance	2,000	Grant I.—	
Assignment by Government	200	New Works	7,400 9,310
Houses and Land-tax	6,300	Repairs	1,600 1,500
Trade-tax	7,500	Establishment	1,250 1,188
Tax on vehicles	1,000	Tools and Plant	150 112
Registration of carts	600	Grant II.—	
Tolls	5,500	Municipal Schools	500 600
Fees	1,000	Salary Grants	1,200 1,420
Fines	600	Results' Grants	150 600
Endowments, &c.	1,670	Inspection	100 150
Contribution from Local Funds	800	Miscellaneous	100 30
Miscellaneous	130	Grant III.—	
Advances recovered	500	Dispensary	3,560 3,400
		Vaccination	200 300
		Registration of Births and Deaths	240 250
		Conservancy	6,000 6,350
		Grant IV.—	
		Lighting	1,000 1,000
		Other purposes	2,150 2,200
		Grant V.—	
		Office	1,800 2,035
		Miscellaneous	400 355
Total	27,800 30,800	Total	27,800 30,800

2. The appropriation from the funded capital of the dispensary should appear in Statement I. as an item of receipt, and not as a part of the opening balance. The anticipated increase of Rupees 2,500 from tolls, without any increase of the rates, is satisfactory. The estimated contributions from Local Funds should be raised to Rupees 3,000 to correspond with the entries in the Local-Fund Budgets, viz., Rupees 2,000 for the road from the Fort to Colonel Anderson's Bridge, and Rupees 1,000 for the Dispensary. The allotment for New Works, as detailed in Statement II.-A, is approved. The contribution to the Local Fund for Educational Inspection may be reduced to Rupees 100 to correspond with the Local-Fund Budget. The Commissioners will doubtless give due consideration to the President's suggestion that the difference be utilized for the improvements of the lighting of the town, and the additional receipts from Local-Fund contributions will enable them still further to increase the provision on that account.

3. With reference to paragraph 6 of the President's letter, the attention of the Public-Works Department is drawn to G. O., dated 16th July 1869, No. 981, in which it is decided that the cost of annually throwing up banks across the under-sluiques at Bezwarat to keep up the supply of water to the town should be borne by the

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Public-Works Department in consideration of the contribution of Rupees 1,364 per annum paid by the Municipality to Government on that account. The Municipality are responsible for the distribution of the water, and Statement II.-A shows an allotment for 1873-74 of Rupees 1,500 for the construction and repair of conduits. Statement I.-A is not quite correctly prepared. The municipal contribution should not be entered in column 6. If it be omitted the entry in column 8 will correspond with the sum of the dispensary assets as shown in Statement I., and the municipal contribution will be represented by a deficit balance in column 12. Subject to the above remarks the budget is passed, and the usual notification will issue. The Profession-tax must be dispensed with in preparing the Budget for 1874-75; and it is desired that this may be done, as far as possible, by a reduction in the expenditure, rather than by an increase in the rates of the other taxes.

NOTIFICATION.

Under the provisions of Section 38, Act III. of 1871 (The Towns' Improvement Act), the Governor in Council authorizes the Municipal Commissioners for the Town of Masulipatam, in the Kistna District, to levy, during the year beginning 1st April 1873 and ending 31st March 1874,—

A rate on houses, buildings, and lands, according to the annual value thereof.

A tax upon arts, professions, trades, and callings.

Tolls on carriages, carts, and animals entering the municipal limits at half-schedule rates.

Taxes on carriages, horses, and other animals as described in Schedule C to the above Act annexed.

Fees on the registration of carts.

(By order of the Right Honourable the Governor in Council.)

St. John
Acting Under Secretary,
for Chief Secretary.

To the President of the Municipal Commission, Masulipatam.

- .. Public Works Department.
- .. Revenue Department. ✓
- .. Board of Revenue.
- .. Accountant-General.
- .. Sanitary Commissioner.
- .. Inspector-General, Indian Medical Department.
- .. Director of Public Instruction.
- .. President of the Local Fund Board, Masulipatam Circle.

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